House File 2503 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 693)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the defense of justification for certain
- 2 homicide offenses.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 2503

- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 704A.1 Restriction on the defense 2 of justification.
- 3 The defense of justification is not available to a person
- 4 who is the subject of a nonviolent sexual advance who causes
- 5 the death of another person pursuant to section 707.2, 707.3,
- 6 707.4, or 707.5, solely as the result of that sexual advance or
- 7 solely as the result of the person's discovery of, knowledge
- 8 about, or potential disclosure of the victim's sex, sexual
- 9 orientation, or gender identity.
- 10 EXPLANATION
- 11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 13 This bill specifies that a defense of justification is not
- 14 available when a person who is the subject of a nonviolent
- 15 sexual advance causes the death of another person, solely as
- 16 a response to that sexual advance or solely as a result of the
- 17 person's discovery of, knowledge about, or potential disclosure
- 18 of the victim's sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity.